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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Wisconsin Electric Power Company

Docket No. EL12-81-000

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DECLARATORY ORDER

Take notice that on June 29, 2012, pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 381.302 and 385.207, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric) submitted a petition requesting the Commission to issue a declaratory order approving: (1) Wisconsin Electric's proposed accounting treatment of a coal contract buydown; and (2) waiver of the Commission's fuel clause regulation to allow Wisconsin Electric to recoup the cost of the coal contract buydown through Wisconsin Electric's cost-based, Formula Rate Wholesale Sales Tariff.

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Comment Date: 5:00 pm Eastern Time on July 30, 2012

Dated: July 2, 2012

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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